

Domestic Violence Funding Discussion

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

The following is a summary of the Guiding Principles recommended at the December 6, 2012. The purpose is to have some Guiding Principles to inform the process.

The funding formula should be updated periodically with representation from stakeholders.

Measurements in the formula should be broad yet consistent with consideration of current trends.

Census population needs to be a consistent measure in the funding formula.

The funding formula should consider as many variables as possible, such as:

- amount of people in the area,
- the distance people have to travel,
- cultural variables,
- potential minimum funding base;
- quality of services, and
- type of service (residential vs. non-residential).

The funding formula should have clear definitions of what is being funded (ie. availability or utilization).

The funding formula will foster collaboration in order to best serve the community.

A phased-in process should be applied if the funding formula results in reductions or increases with wide variances to avoid sudden and unplanned changes.

Adjustment to the funding formula will be made within a time frame that allows public input to evaluate the consequences and impacts.

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